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A Geography and Atlas of Protestant Missions. Their Environment, Forces, Distribution, Methods, Problems, Results, and Prospects at the Opening of the Twentieth Century. By Harlan P. Beach, M.A., Educational Secretary Student Volunteer Movement, Fellow of the American Geographical Society, Member of the American Oriental Society. Vol. I, Geography (x and 572 pp.); Vol. II (quarto); Statistics (31 pp.), and Atlas (18 plates and index, 23 pp.). Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions. New York, 1901–1903.

This work is a survey of the Protestant missionary field, primarily prepared for members of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions. It is a very clear and practical exposition of the present distribution of Protestant missionary enterprises, and of the work they are undertaking throughout the world. The field is viewed entirely in its present aspects, the reader being referred to general and special works for historical data. Each country is first treated in its geographical, climatic, racial, and other general aspects, giving the reader a clear conception of the environment amid which the many hundreds of missionary posts are situated. This general view is followed by a statement of the missionary influences in the field, and of the work and outlook. The relegation of statistics to a section by themselves, in the quarto volume, relieves the text of a mass of figures, and renders easily accessible an immense amount of important information, every item of which may quickly be found when it is needed. The Atlas undoubtedly contains the best series of missionary maps yet published, presenting all the information relating to the subject which can be cartographically shown. The plates are the product of the superior processes employed in the map house of John Bartholomew & Co., Edinburgh; and the result is that the maps are pleasing in appearance as well as satisfying on account of their fullness and accuracy. The work is admirably adapted for the use of mission study classes in American Colleges and Theological Seminaries, and of all who are interested in missions; nor would it be easy to find a more compact and helpful atlas for the home circle.

The Alaska Frontier. By Thomas Willing Balch, A.B. (Harvard), Member of the Philadelphia Bar. Philadelphia, Allen, Lane & Scott, 1903. 8vo.

Mr. Balch's Introductory Note says:

This monograph was prepared with the object of stating briefly, but emphatically,